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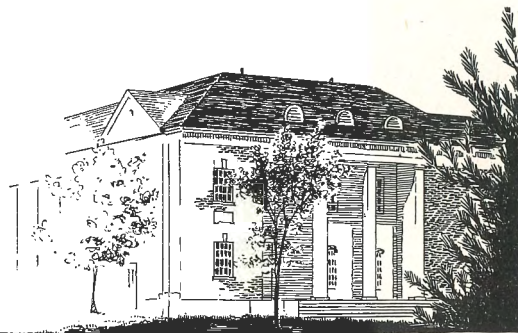


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THE TALK OF THE CAMPUS

Commencement

ON MAY 28, Juniata's fourth war-time Commencement, degrees will be awarded to forty graduates, the smallest group of candidates in many years.

Heading the list of speakers for the week-end is Dr. R. H. Rivenburg, retiring Dean of Bucknell University, who will deliver the Commencement address on Monday morning in Oller Hall. A close friend of President Emeritus C. C. Ellis, Dean Rivenburg has been a vital force on the administrative staff of Bucknell University since 1923, and is quite active in American educational circles. He is the author of several mathematical textbooks. On Saturday afternoon, S. K. Stevens, State Historian of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will speak at the annual Friends of the Library tea.

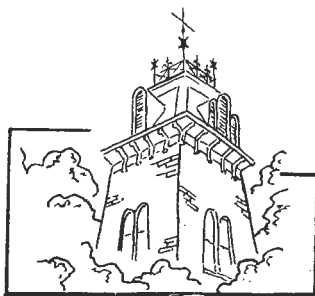
Among the other events composing the Commencement calendar will be a concert on Saturday evening by the college orchestra under the direction of Prof. Donald S. Johnson, and a presentation of the cantata, *The Holy City*, by Gaul, on Sunday by the college choir, directed by Prof. Charles L. Rowland.

Other traditional events will take place as usual. On Sunday morning, the baccalaureate sermon will be delivered by President Calvert N. Ellis in the Stone Church. The President's Reception on Sunday afternoon will be followed by the Junior Senior hymn ceremonies on Founders' Steps

late Sunday afternoon. This will immediately precede the vespers on Round Top. The Candlelighting and Mantle Ceremony will follow the orchestra concert on Saturday evening.

Founders' Day

THE SIXTY-NINTH anniversary of the founding of Juniata College was celebrated on April 17, when Mr. William S. Price, '84, trustee and treasurer of the college, spoke on "The Privileges and



Advantages of the Students Today Compared with Those in My Day."

Recalling the campus of his day, Mr. Price told of the time when the present Registrar's Office housed the Science Department and when the library was in the outer office of the President's office and "students were allowed to take out books once a week." He compared this with the facilities available to the students of today and praised the foresight of the founders of the college for making this advancement possible.

Particularly interesting to the present student body and faculty was Mr. Price's description of the social activities of his day. "The

young gentlemen did not dare to speak to the young ladies except at socials once a week, and then they were too bashful. Our only training in physical education consisted of baseball and football games down in the meadow."

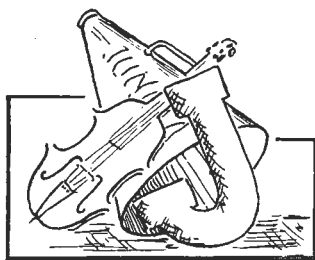
"However, in spite of advances in facilities and curriculum," Mr. Price emphasized, "the spiritual values received in those days have hardly been surpassed." In this connection he mentioned particularly the influence of such men as President James Quinter, Prof. W. J. Swigart, Prof. David Emmert, Prof. William Beery, and Prof. J. H. Brumbaugh.

Student Activities

HAVING reached the end of what we hope will be our most crucial war year, the college can look back on a record of having maintained almost "college as usual." With no military unit on the campus, the male enrollment has, of course, dropped decidedly. However, larger than normal enrollment of women resident students has carried on an extra-curricular program in creditable fashion. The violin, the megaphone, and the letter J, for example, have been just as important a part of the full college program as in pre-war years.

In very few fields have activities been seriously curtailed. Intercollegiate football, of course, is out of the picture and this spring, baseball, also, has been abandoned, but interest in intra-mural sports has been enthusiastic.

In the field of music a fairly satisfactory compromise has been achieved. Only the band has been entirely given up. The orchestra



has had as full a program as ever, and the choir, although now numbering only women members and limited in its non-local appearances, still functions as one of the most active campus organizations.

Publications, student organizations and social functions have kept alive what we have always thought of as the typical Juniata spirit.

Alumni Day

SPEAKER at the Alumni Day luncheon to be held at 12:00, Saturday, May 26, in the College Dining Hall will be Alumni President, Martin Allen Brumbaugh, '18, of the University of Buffalo. He will preside over the luncheon at which the officers for the coming year will be announced. At this luncheon members of the senior class will be inducted into the Alumni Association.

The holding of Alumni class reunions this spring will be left entirely to the discretion of each group. However, Juniataians will be interested in knowing that soon after final victory an all-class, all-college reunion will be arranged. This affair will be advertised as V PLUS 6 reunion, presumably six months after final victory.

Spring Sports

FOR THE FIRST TIME in many years, Juniata will not play baseball as an intercollegiate sport this spring. "We are not giving up the sport willingly," commented Jack E. Oller, chairman of the Athletic Committee, "but the lack

of experienced material has made it imperative."

Juniata introduced baseball into its sports program in 1899, early in the history of the game, and gained possibly its greatest athletic reputation in this sport. In spite of the pressures of travel restrictions and a small male enrollment, the game was continued successfully in 1943 and 1944 under the mentorship of Dr. Edgar S. Kiracofe. In 1943, the Indians maintained a record of five wins and three losses and last year lost one game and won five. The game is being kept alive on campus this spring by means of an active intramural program, and there is a possibility of resuming intercollegiate competition in 1946.

Track is once again neglected, having been abandoned last year.

Stunt Night

ON MARCH 3, Oller Hall was the setting for the eighth annual All-Class Night with a trophy going this year to the sophomore class for their production of the life of Stephen Collins Foster, "Dear Friends and Gentle Hearts."

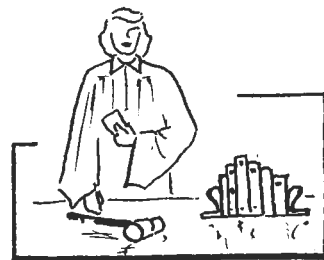
Originally known as All-Club Night and featuring competition between various campus organizations, the program was made an inter-class competition in 1937. Since that time it has become the most talked of event in the college year and the fine quality of staging and dramatic portrayals maintained is a credit to the entire student body.

This year's production consisted of four exceptionally well-staged student written and directed skits. The winning stunt was a gracious and well-paced production and all showed considerable originality and careful workmanship.

Senate Prexies

ON APRIL 19, Juniata's traditional Move-Up Day exercises included the induction of Miss Frances Clemens of Hatboro, Pa., into the office of president of the student senate. Although this

position was capably filled last year by Miss Barbara Boyd, who as vice-president succeeded to the office upon the induction of the



president last fall, Miss Clemens has the distinction of being the first woman ever to be elected to the office.

The Juniata Alumni Fund

AN ALUMNI FUND is an important part of any college. Now in its sixth year the alumni fund at Juniata is established and helps the college in its educational service.

The story of the growth of the alumni fund at Juniata is one of personalities and contributions. Results have been accomplished because alumni presidents have been energetic in their leadership. The fund made a good beginning in 1939 under the vigorous and forceful promotion of the alumni president that year, Captain Will Judy, '13, of Chicago.

The total amounted to \$8,473.69. The next year there was a slight decrease but from that time on the amounts contributed have steadily grown.

The figures by the years are:

1939-1940	- - - - -	\$ 8,473.69
1940-1941	- - - - -	7,524.88
1941-1942	- - - - -	10,505.51
1942-1943	- - - - -	13,044.27
1943-1944	- - - - -	15,388.28

The alumni presidents have been:

1939-40—

Captain Will Judy, '13

1940-41—

Hon. William S. Livengood, '26
1941-42—

Mr. Dana Z. Eckert, Ph.D., '12
1942-43—

Mr. William R. Flory, '21
1943-44—

Prof. Miles Murphy, Ph.D., '23
1944-45—

Mr. M. Allen Brumbaugh,
Ph.D., '18

All contributions to the alumni fund can be directed toward some worthy project which will be useful in carrying forward the service of the college. The alumni office is maintained as part of the regular current budget of the college. The gifts to the alumni fund this year helped meet the deficit in current operations caused by the small enrollment of men. The objective of \$17,000 represents an income equivalent to an invested endowment of \$400,000.

Alumni President Allen Brumbaugh is encouraged by the contributions of \$12,159.93, which have been received to date. Some of these gifts have come from Juniata men serving on all the war fronts. The same spirit which has inspired many Juniata men and women around the world to a loyalty to the college will inspire others to help maintain the continuing splendid record of the Alumni Fund.

Summer Term

ONE VERY NOTABLE change brought about by the war situation has been the gradual transfer from a "summer school" designed primarily for elementary teachers who wished to accumulate credits for a degree to the "just another term" idea on the accelerated program.

According to the custom of recent years, most of the regular faculty will be instructing during the summer term while professors from other institutions will also offer courses.

The great majority of high school men planning to enter college will enter college during the summer term instead of waiting till fall. To date, the enrollment of new students this year exceeds last year's registration record for the same period.

Planning Commission

ON APRIL 13, the Board of Trustees received the recommendation of the Planning Commission in a special joint meeting of the two bodies held at the college.

The recommendations were the result of considerable time and effort expended by seventy alumni and a faculty committee who contributed their best judgment for the future development of the college.

The Trustees will announce their action on the recommendations at Commencement in May.

Demobilization Committee

LAST FALL, the administration appointed a committee composed of faculty and administrative personnel to deal with the problem of education for the returning serviceman. Known as the Demobilization Committee, it has been particularly concerned with determining what type of education will be demanded by the veterans and what special arrangements Juniata can make to meet these demands. First work of the committee has been the publishing of a report to set forth Juniata's aims in this regard. This report has been sent to a large number of servicemen who are interested in returning to a college of Juniata's type.

Members of the committee are: Dr. Kenneth L. Smoke, chairman; Dr. Harold C. Binkley, Mr. Harold B. Brumbaugh, Dean J. Clyde Stayer, Dr. Pressley L. Crummy.

JCLx

IN ORDER to stimulate more writing to service men, a corner of the College Social Rooms has been devoted to the JCLx, or Juniata College Letter Exchange. Featuring interesting letters and recent addresses of men in the service, it gives students the opportunity to learn the whereabouts of former classmates and to keep them informed about campus doings.

May Day

ON MAY 12, Betty Isenberg was crowned Queen of May by Prince Charming, Myron Dunlavy, in Juniata's traditional May Day festivities. This year, May Day was held for the first time in the Grove back of the Cloister, one of the highlights of the occasion being the christening of the Grove, which will be known in the future as Sherwood. Miss Isenberg is a daughter of Charles L. Isenberg, '14.

Using the story of Robin Hood as a background, the pageant depicted the antics of Robin and his men who engaged in trials of skill with bow and arrow and with the sword. The animals of the forest joined in the frolic and heralded the approach of Maid Marian and her court. She was entertained by dances by the village folk and by a solo dance by Patricia Perry, '48. Following the winding of the May Poles, Robin Hood, now Earl of Huntingdon, proclaimed Maid Marian his queen.

Leading Maid Marian's court were Jane Madden as maid of honor, Gretchen Smith and Jane Rummel, daughter of William D. Rummel, '17. Senior attendants; Geraldine Baer and Ruth Blough, Juniors; Mary Louise Griffith, daughter of the late Charles I. Griffith, '17 ex and Mary Fike Griffith, '16, and Bernadine Holden, Sophomores; and Ruth Bennett and Maxine Hutchison, Freshmen.

The American Red Cross

THE WORK of the American Red Cross in bringing its services to the men and women of the armed forces is being handicapped at present by a lack of qualified personnel who are interested in employment possibilities. Men and women are needed to work in clubs, civilian war relief, and for hospital trains and ships. If you would be interested in this type of work, or if you know of qualified personnel, the alumni office or your local Red Cross chapter can furnish you with further information upon request.

The Cover Picture

Our cover picture shows the campus flag framed by pictures of seven representative alumni in service. Beginning at the upper right-hand corner of the J, they are: Pfc. Gilbert Rodli, '46ex; Lt. Charles Bargerstock, '44ex; Lt. Georgia Insley, '44ex; Lt. Charles Leeper, '44ex; Capt. Percy T. Wright, '05; Lt. P. M. Snider, '26; Martha Brubaker, '40.

JUNIATA representatives on all fronts and in all branches of the service are proving the ability of college men and women to adapt themselves to new situations, not only with courage and loyalty, but with a commendable devotion to duty. Many of them have been forced to leave their studies to face new responsibilities and unaccustomed dangers. Others have contributed the wisdom of their experience to the successful carrying forward of the war. All have served worthily. In this issue we honor eight men and women who are typical of their fellow alumni in the service.

Several of our men have shown outstanding ability to face a crisis.

Lt. Charles W. Leeper, of Lewistown, as a squadron lead bombardier in a 15th AAF B-24 Liberator heavy bombardment group based in Southern Italy, has participated in many bombardment raids in the European sector. Recently he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, dropping his bombs on a recent mission with accuracy. He has the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and is a member of a group that has twice been cited by the President of the United States.

Juniata's women, also, have made valuable contributions. First Lt. Georgia F. Insley, former college nurse, served as an army nurse in the air transport command on the China-Burma-India route, evacuating wounded to hospital bases in India and the United States. In exhausting and dangerous work, she was many times within the firing line and on at least one occasion her plane was forced to land because of enemy fire. At present serving in this

country, Lt. Insley has volunteered to return to action as soon as she is permitted to do so by the medical authorities.

Stationed at a Red Cross Canteen near a jungle outpost on the Ledo Road, Martha Brubaker, formerly of Philadelphia, helps to plan the entertainment for the American troops in her area. Living in a bamboo hut, she supervises cooking and recreation, and provides supplies for her canteen. Miss Brubaker arrived in India last fall and was stationed for a time in Calcutta where she attended classes for final instructions in addition to her other duties.

With the Fourth Marine Division in the invasion of Iwo Jima, Lt. Charles Bargerstock, of Apollo, Pa., was evacuated eight days after the landing for blast concussion and is, at present, in a naval hospital near Honolulu for observation before being returned to the States on a convalescent furlough.

Engaged in hand-to-hand fighting and undergoing fierce artillery fire for the eight days of the invasion, Lt. Bargerstock has, nevertheless, asked to be returned to his old regiment as soon as he can be discharged from the hospital.

Taking part in World Wars I and II, Capt. Percy T. Wright, Arlington, Va., has made a noteworthy contribution to both of them. In the last war he was awarded the Navy Cross for his part in the development of submarine warfare, a branch of the service in which he has been a prominent member. Once rejected for active duty he was finally permitted to report for active shore duty in 1941 and has

been assigned the task of reporting all naval operations in this war for naval history.

Lt. P. M. (Mike) Snider, former Juniata coach, is serving as an executive officer with a combat aircraft service unit in a forward area of the Philippines. In addition to his duties in setting up camp operations and reorganizing of personnel, he is athletic officer, deck court officer (court martial), and senior member of the examining board. In the service since 1942, Lt. Snider was stationed in the Admiralty Islands before going to the Philippines.

Also stationed in the Philippine area, Pfc. Gilbert Rodli, of Huntingdon, is a member of an anti-aircraft artillery intelligence section whose duty is to spot enemy planes and report them to the gun sections. Before arriving in the Philippines, he was stationed in New Guinea, where he worked as a mail clerk. He was one of eight men chosen to do his present work which involved three months' training in radio operation and message sending.

W. S. S. F. Drive

AN UNUSUALLY successful World Student Service Fund Drive was conducted by student leaders on campus this year. Directing contributions to the Red Cross, Rev. Stover Kulp, Rev. J. M. Bough, and the World Student Service Fund, students, faculty, and friends of the college more than doubled their goal of \$400 by making contributions totaling \$853.

Play Day

THE PHYSICAL Education department entertained representatives of Lebanon Valley College, Indiana State Teachers College, and Shippensburg State Teachers College in a sports Play Day on April 5. The guests were entertained at luncheon and tea as well as competing in various sports.

The Alumni Spotlight

MISS
LILLIAN
MAY
EVANS



LT. COL.
AGNES A.
RESCH



This month the Alumni Spotlight honors two women who are helping to serve the needs of our men in service. We are honored to present to you Miss Lillian May Evans and Lt. Col. Agnes A. Resch.

A PERSON who is an integral part of the library picture for many Juniataans, Miss Lillian Evans has been absent on leave since 1943, and since leaving Juniata has served as a librarian in the service libraries established for our armed forces.

At present, she is working as a cataloguer in the main library of the Naval Base at Terminal Island, California, and is making her home with Commander Clarence R. Pentz, '26, and his family in Long Beach. In addition to this work Miss Evans spends one day a week supervising recreational reading in the various branch reading and browsing rooms at the Naval Base. Before going to Terminal Island, she worked in service club libraries at Daytona Beach, Fla.; Norwalk, Calif., and Camp Santa Anita, Calif.

After graduating from Juniata in 1910, Miss Evans attended the University of Chicago, where she received her Bachelor of Philosophy degree, and the Library School of the Drexel Institute of Technology. Before returning to Juniata as librarian in 1918, she was employed in the Central Library of Wilmington, Del.

Among her many interests are her love of travel and her avid interest in antiques. With her sister, Bertha, '98, she has spent many summers of travel in the United States and abroad.

WITH a record of twenty-six years in the army, Lt. Col. Agnes A. Resch has made a vital contribution to the development of the Army Nurse Corps and with her recent promotion became the highest ranking member of her branch of the service in the United Kingdom. Holder of the World War I Service Medal, she is the principal chief nurse of a hospital group composed of several United States Army hospitals in England.

After leaving Juniata, and before being graduated as a trained nurse from the Nason Hospital, Roaring Spring, Col. Resch taught public school in Pennsylvania. She began her army career as a transport nurse traveling between New York and Brest in the last war. Since that time her tour of duty has included more than six years in the Philippines and three years in Puerto Rico. In 1941, she was stationed for a time in the office of the surgeon general in Washington, D. C., and then was sent to Hattiesburg, Miss., as head nurse of the Camp Shelby Hospital. In February of 1944 she embarked for overseas.

Col. Resch was a second lieutenant in the nurse corps until July 1936, first lieutenant until August 1941, captain until June of last year, then advanced to major, and, more recently, colonel.

In 1943, during a year's leave of absence, she took a trip around the world.

Manila were **Rev. Edward Bomm** and Mrs. Bomm (Marian DeBaun, '29 ex.) As a representative of the association of Baptists, Mr. Bomm was taken before Japanese authorities who demanded that he sign over mission property, promise to co-operate in the new order in Asia, and bow before the shrine of the Emperor. Mr. Bomm refused, even under pressure, and was ultimately returned to the camp. The news of his resistance resulted in his being chosen pastor of the entire group within the prison. He conducted a regular Bible School within the camp.

From an island hospital chaplaincy in the Aleutian-North Pacific area, **Chaplain Frederic Witmer** was transferred to a new post on the Alaska mainland, January 7. Mrs. Witmer and her child are residing with her parents in Jersey Shore, Pa.

1931

Mrs. Kenneth L. Smoke
17th and Mifflin Sts., Huntingdon, Pa.

Stationed at Camp Crowder, Mo., **Pvt. Chester Baird** is working with a medical unit and recently met a former Juniata student, **Pvt. Glenn Cave**, '48 ex. Prior to his induction, **Pvt. Baird** was teaching in the high school at Warren County, Pa.

Paul Fouse left the Westinghouse Company in December to return to his former position as Divisional Manager of the Investors Syndicate. Mr. and Mrs. Fouse (Mary Grove, '29) have a baby boy, ten months old.

1932

Mrs. James Davis, CR
26-A Wynnewood Park Apts.
Wynnewood, Pa.

In addition to his duties as a division officer, **Lt. (jg) Alden Coder** also serves as education officer and athletic officer for his ship. He is in the Pacific area.

Captain Joseph MacCarroll, chaplain U. S. Navy, now covers France, Belgium, Holland, and Germany for the 8th Air Force. In the chapel services he conducted in England for a period of 10 months or more he averaged more than 400 present at one Protestant service each Sunday.

1933

Mrs. Kitty Hess McKleveen, CR
11 Madison Ave., Irwin, Pa.

Stuart Palmer is assistant director of the American Education Fellowship, formerly known as the Progressive Education Association. This is the United States section of the New Education Fellowship with the headquarters in New York City.

Pfc. Cloyd Ebersole writes from overseas, "Our work here goes on from day to day with very little to break up the monotony. We did have



Lt. Wayne Spangler '34

one very interesting period of six months in Rome. There were not only many interesting sights, but also quite a few people who had travelled a great deal. I met one Swiss lady who could speak every language in Europe. She spoke English well but became confused when we used slang of any form. Her latest ambition is a mastery of the Chinese language. I also met a Brazilian boy of fifteen who spoke French, Italian, Spanish and English fluently, and knew enough Arabic to live among the Arabs without any great difficulties."

The **Rev. F. Lewis Walley's** pastoral experience has included service at the Canclensis Methodist Church in the Poconos, in the Yardley (Pa.) church near Trenton, N. J., and recently he has accepted the Bustleton pastorate near Philadelphia where his congregation is making plans for the erection of a new church plant.

Joseph B. Wilson is teaching and coaching junior varsity basketball in a high school only two years old at Fair Lawn, N. J., only twelve miles from New York City.

Rev. John Middlekauff has accepted the pastorate of the Canton Church in Ohio. His wife was Hilda Ritchey, '37, ex.

1934

Kenneth Morse, CR
614 W. Chicago, Ave., Elgin, Illinois
D. Gardner Foulke, recently chief chemist for the Garfield division of Houdaille Hershey Corporation has joined the staff of Foster D. Snell, Inc. as director of the analytical department.

Lt. Wayne Spangler, USNR, who engaged in the D-Day invasion of Southern France as a member of Admiral H. K. Hewitt's staff, was award-

ed the Bronze Star Medal for having discovered certain vital information that facilitated the opening of the harbor of Marseilles to Allied shipping. **Lt. Spangler's** tour of duty has taken him to Africa, Corsica, Sardinia, Gibraltar, Southern France, and to Italy, where he is now located.

1935

Mr. George Kurtz, CR
Huntingdon, Pa.

Lt. (jg) Edna M. McElwain, USNR, became the bride of **Howard W. Yohn** on Saturday, January 27 in the Methodist Church of Bellwood, Pa., by **Rev. T. A. Cavert**. **Lt. McElwain** entered the navy in December, 1942. Since August she has been on duty at the United States Navy Receiving Station in Boston, Mass.



Major Woodrow Middlekauff '35

Major Woodrow Middlekauff was in Panama as head of the department of Malariology in the School of Tropical Medicine there. Recently he returned to the States and is at College Park, Ga. with his wife, (Phyllis Buckman) and two sons.

1936

John Stauffer, CR
91 Gilman Street, Hartford, Conn.

The **Rev. John Byler** is serving as pastor of the Geiger Church in Philadelphia. John was preaching near Allentown and prior to that he taught in the Lewes High School, Lewes, Delaware.

In a double ring ceremony, **Miss Dorothea Evelyn Dell** became the bride of **Cpl. Walter W. Wible** on January 16, 1945 in the Hicks Memorial Church, Duncansville, Pa. The **Rev. L. Vance Green**, brother-in-law of the bride, officiated.

1937

Mrs. Kenneth Connors, Acting CR
215 W. Walnut Lane, Philadelphia, Pa.

Capt. Guy Pandolfino, ex, has been doing personnel work with the army for the past five years. At present, he is serving as personnel officer at Camp Lee, Va. On April 21, he was married to Miss Grace Falcone, of Bangor, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. **William S. Sloatman (Dorothy Miller)** of Stamford Conn. announced the birth of a son, William Robert on February 10, 1945.

1938

Paul Cook

231 Ridgemed Rd., Baltimore, Md.

Mr. and Mrs. **Robert Laidig** of Mt. Union announced the birth of a daughter on Jan. 17, 1945 in the J. C. Blair Memorial Hospital.

Neal Williams is acting principal and basketball coach at Southwest Greensburg Junior High School.

1939

Rev. Thomas D. Garner, CR
1423 Mifflin St., Huntingdon, Pa.

The Rev. and Mrs. (**Mildred Hess**, '38) **Grimley** sailed on December 31 to mission work in Africa. They were accompanied by their year old son, John Oliver. Before entering the mission field, Rev. Grimley held the pastorate at Pittsburg, Ohio. At present the Grimley's are in Buenos Aires awaiting passage to Africa.

A son, George Harold, Jr. was born to Mr. and Mrs. (**Evelyn Hood**) **Patterson** on March 10.

Li. Rush E. Stouffer's, U.S.N.R., second campaign was the invasion of Iwo Jima where his ship, the U.S.S. Wake Island, on CVE assignment, received an individual commendation from Rear Admiral Sprague. An earlier campaign was on Luzon. Rush's carrier gave coverage to the battleships and cruisers on the way up to Iwo Jima and gave assistance to the pre-invasion bombardment.

Charles Goodale is senior supervisor in the acid organics department of the Indiana Ordnance works, Louisville, Ky. He is now married to a former Lexington, Ky. girl, spending his honeymoon in Arizona and Southern California.

Anita Mellon has been appointed Home Service Director of the Cumberland and Allegheny Gas Co., Cumberland, Md. In this capacity she also does a great deal of work with the schools and gives nutrition lectures and demonstrations for the Girl Scouts. Before joining the Home Service Staff she was the assistant dietitian of the Memorial Hospital at Johnstown.

Captain Alvin Wenger and Mrs. Wenger (Catherine Gehrett, '40) an-



John '39 and Mildred Hess Grimley '38

nounced the birth of a daughter, Suzanne, on February 22, 1945. Captain Wenger is with an armored medical battalion overseas, and Mrs. Gehrett is residing with her parents, Mr. ('07) and Mrs. Samuel Gehrett (Ada Householder, '07) in Huntingdon.

1940

Lt. Charles Calvert Ellis
620 Church Lane, Yeadon, Pa.

Word has been received that **Li. George Regis Walter** has been wounded in action in Germany and is now a patient in a hospital in England. Lt. Walter, who suffered injuries of both legs, expects to return to the United States soon.

During the Belgian campaign, **Li. Richard Strattan** had his feet badly frozen and has spent some time in hospitals in Belgium, France, and England. The hospitals in Belgium and France were school-rooms converted for the care of the wounded. Lt. Strattan tells us that he received the last issue of the Alumni Bulletin within light artillery range of the Germans.

Sgt. Robert Boyd, ex., who is engaged in investigation and intelligence work for the army is stationed at Lake Placid, N. Y.

Marjorie Bryant became the bride of Mark L. Diggary on Thursday, December 28, in Sea Cliff, N. Y.

1941

Mrs. Lawrence Bair, Acting CR
Centre Hall, Pa.

Sgt. Eugene H. Shelly is with the veteran 56th medical battalion, which has taken part in four beach-head operations and is now supporting the 6th army in France.

1942

Chaplain Herbert Landes, CR
Naval Training School (Chaplains)
College of William and Mary
Williamsburg, Virginia

Engaged in meteorological research for the army, **Li. James Porter** is stationed, at present, on one of the smaller islands in the Philippine group.

Having spent some time in the Pacific area, he participated in the invasion of the Philippines, going ashore a day before the invasion of Leyte.

RT 3/c Erwin Hahn is located in Chicago, Illinois with the electronics training program of the Navy. He was completing his work for his master's degree in Physics at the time he was drafted.

A daughter, Joy Irene, was born to **Rev. and Mrs. David Nettleton (Ruth Ann Davis)** on February 23. The Nettleton's have another daughter, Peggy Ann. They are residing at Library, Pa. where Rev. Nettleton has a charge.

Jay Willard Adams, ex., who has been in France for some time recently had the good fortune to encounter a former Juniata friend, Lt. Jacob Bair, who is an R.T.O. officer.

Ens. Francis Gahagen is one of a great number of Army and Navy airmen who have been returned to this country for furloughs and re-assignment. He had been stationed in England, serving on patrol duty over the Bay of Biscay.

Ensign Paul Hickes of the Navy Supply Corps Reserve was one of the four hundred and two young officers who graduated on January 10 at Harvard University and, as a result of his successful completion of the rigid four months course, Ensign Hickes is no longer a probationary officer. He has received his "General service" commission and will be assigned to duty in one of the Navy's newest ships.

1st Li. Murray Weight, ex, was a member of the P-17 Thunderbolt fighter group recently awarded a distinguished unit citation for smashing two German armored columns near St. Lo. The German column was attempting to drive a wedge into American lines. Attacked under a 1000 foot ceiling nearly a third of the tanks were knocked out on the first attack. After refueling and rearming, the Thunderbolts attacked again, the Germans now being only 200 yards from the American positions. The second attack completely disrupted the enemy columns striking a decisive blow at enemy armor during a critical time of the Normandy invasion.

1943

Jane Glendenning, CR
Drexel Hill, Pa.

After taking part in all of the more important invasions in the Pacific area in the past eighteen months, **Li. Jack O'Donnell** returned on furlough recently. He has now returned to the West Coast, expecting to go to Pearl Harbor for further training in Radar work.

Miss Betty Mae Hughes of Bolivar became the bride of **John Craig Tros-**



Ens. Francis Gahagan '42

tile, ex., of Altoona on January 17, 1945. The single ring ceremony was performed at a lovely wedding in the bride's home with the Rev. Aitchison, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Bolivar, officiating. The couple will reside at 1322 Twelfth Avenue, Altoona.

Located in Italy, **Pvt. George H. Tay, Jr.** is in ordnance work, keeping maintainance on small arms and studying enemy arms and ballistics. This work is particularly interesting to him since it is related to his peacetime hobby of gunsmith and small-arms collector.

Since finishing Supply School in June, **Lt. William Thorn** did quite a bit of traveling before being assigned to an assault transport as Disbursing Officer in October. In that time he was at Seattle; Tacoma, Washington; Astoria, Ore.; San Francisco, Long Beach and San Pedro, California. His wife, the former Patricia Hess, '46 ex, was with him until he sailed and then returned to her home in Elizabethtown.

1944

Ruth Neal, CR
Imperial, Pa.

Lt. Walter Farnsworth is a squadron engineer with a bombing group on duty in Siapan with the majority of his missions to Tokio.

After more than six months of combat in the South Pacific area, **Lt. (jg) Alex Phillips** has returned to the States. Lt. Phillips was one of the fliers who helped to destroy a large part of the Japanese fleet last winter. Recently he took part in one of the longest dog fights in naval history when he and two other fliers engaged twelve enemy fighters, destroying ten planes and probably an eleventh. Phillips share of the loot was four destroyed and one probable.

Mrs. Robert Kriebel (Evelyn Springer) was elected to the Souderton High School faculty as music supervisor and began her work there on January 15. Prior to this appointment she worked for the Pennsylvania Railroad in Philadelphia.

A son, Robert William, was born to Mr. and Mrs. **William Meyer** of Farmingdale, N. J. on March 19. Mr. Meyer is a "middler" at Princeton Theological Seminary.

1st Lt. Norman Furrer, ex., who is a veteran of fifty combat missions as a navigator with the 15th Air Force, has been appointed a navigation instructor as San Marcos Army Air Field. He wears the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters and the Distinguished Unit Citation.

1945

A navigator with the 14th Air Force in China, **Lt. Leland Miles**, ex, has now completed more than 30 missions. Flying frequently, he has been as far East as Formosa and as far south as South Indo-China.

Doris Miller, ex, is now Mrs. Melvin Painter, 160 N. Hanover Street, Pottstown, Pa.

Sara Jane James became the bride of a Theron Baldwin, '44, in the Calvary Methodist Church in Johnstown on Saturday, Feb. 10 at 4:30 p. m. Dr. C. C. Ellis '98 and Rev. William C. Marques performed the ceremony. Richard Neikirk, '47, of Juniata was an usher at the wedding and other Juniataans, Gladys Todhunter, '44, and Sara Ellen White, '45, were also present. Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin will make their home in Norwood, Pa. Mr. Baldwin is Assistant Personnel Manager of Sharoe and Dohme in Philadelphia.



Lt. (jg) E. Alex Phillips '44ex



Lt. (jg) Jack O'Donnell '43

1946

Pfc. Jack Lang, ex, who landed in France with General Patton's Third Army in August was wounded in late November, and is now recuperating in a hospital in England.

T/5 Robert Holsinger, ex, writes from England, "My brother, Glenn, '44 ex, is here in this country. I have talked to him on the phone twice but hope to see him in a few days. He is about 100 miles from me. He has been on a mission from what I can gather. I haven't seen him for two years."

In an attack on formidable German positions in France, **Sgt. Norman Stryker**, ex, crawled under heavy fire to the front of his troops and poured a deadly stream of bullets to cover his platoon as it reorganized and dug in. Then, while the men held their ground, he went under the eye of German artillery to pick up supplies and carry them to the men of his squad. In another engagement on December 3, he suffered multiple shell wounds in both arms and has been hospitalized since that time.

Associate

The Rev. James A. Sell of Altoona, who is one of the oldest ministers in the country was 99 years old this fall. A minister of the Church of the Brethren, he was called to the ministry in 1865. In excellent health, but sightless, he frequently fills pulpit engagements. Recently he preached twice in one Sunday.

Mrs. Anthony Domonkos, the former Dorothy Parrish who was instructor in piano at Juniata for several years is living with her mother and her young daughter, Dita Lois, in New York City, while Captain Domonkos is serving in the European theater.

LETTERS FROM THE FRONT

Philippines
12 February

Dear Calvert (Ellis):

Here in a camp of Army Engineers in the Philippines tonight I've read your Baccalaureate sermon of last spring. The last two years' experience has taught me how very right you are and, though I'm sure you realize it fully, I realize too that it's often encouraging to hear that others applaud our ideas and believe them too. Even in a mechanized war such as we fight today, men and their integrity are the guiding force which drives or smashes the machines. Careless and thoughtless men wreck in five minutes thousands of dollars' worth of machinery and, on the other hand, devoted and thoughtful men go ahead and get the job done with "worn out tools." So don't be discouraged by the thought that common men have lost the power to decide, and for the best. Out here the number of devoted men is surprisingly large.

We came here to the Philippines on October 20 and are performing our mission of building docks and other port facilities. We have a long line of such jobs well done all the way from Milne Bay to Hollandia. It's quite strange to be on duty with a heavy Engineer construction outfit but I'm supply officer here and my raids and requisitions (midnight) in my college days were some slight preparation for the type of work which must be done to keep a group of men supplied with everything from shoestrings to tractors.

The people here are quite interesting. They are very poorly clothed but not so illy fed. Most of them speak some "American" and even the smallest of them can hold up two fingers and say "Victory, victory, Americans very good, Japanese very bad, give me cigarette, thank you." By this time they all have some G.I. clothes and will give you anything at all for an American blanket. Give my regards to any of my friends there.

Sincerely,

Lt. Robert Patrick, '26

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Germany
April 2

Dear Daphne (Rudy):

The other day, I had my first experience in capturing Jerry prisoners. You know, a lot of Germans have been cut off as the result of the recent crossing of the Rhine, so they have been hiding in the woods or trying to change to civilians to escape capture.

This particular day, our battery pulled into a bivouac area and before we had stopped our trucks four Jerries came running out of a thick undergrowth waving a white handkerchief. That started it. We began to investigate the entire wooded area in search of possible "strays."

Towards the top of the hill down from which our vehicles were parked one of the guys found a fresh bed of pine needles. We were close to something.

Suddenly something was spotted crawling in a thick tangle of growth, and one of our corporals yelled "Get up." No sooner had he said that than seven men stood up looking like scared chickens. Further investigation came up with three pistols and a "burp" gun—the German improvement on our Thompson sub-machine guns. Included in the group were two Ober-leutnants (first lieutenants), one warrant officer, and four privates. Quite a haul.

Cpl. Ralph Harrity, '45ex

Somewhere in Germany

Dear Prof. (Stayer):

Greetings from the land of the Kraut. Little did I think when I was at school that some day I would tour this country the hard way. In one respect it's worth all you have to go through but in others it's a distasteful way to exist.

I have seen a good deal of this country in the past months and all I have seen makes me wonder. This outfit had more than any country I have been in so far and why they would start a mess like this is beyond my comprehension. I have had a look at some of the business buildings and factories that the air corps missed, which weren't many, and they had some methods that we could use. Their tools were the best and they seemed to have plenty of them too. After we get through the building trade will boom, but they asked for it and are now getting it.

I haven't seen any of the boys from school as yet. I missed Paul Byer just before he was shot down. I couldn't believe it at first but things like that happen every day.

Some of the ideals I picked up at school have helped out a lot since this started, but one doesn't realize what one has missed until it's too late. One thing I do wish is that we could get the old German class together after this is over and kick this present problem around. It would be worth while.

Give my best to all—the best always,

Sgt. Karl Friend, '35

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c/o Fleet Post Office
New York, N. Y.

Dear Juniations:

Believe it or not, but I've had a chance to use my German in quizzing some sub survivors we picked up and I didn't do too badly. I stammered around but the guys were surprised to hear someone of the *verdant Amerikaner* who had creamed them that could speak the language and I got quite a bit of information. That's a story in itself. If only Dr. Kubitz could have seen Herr Shimmel as he the *Deutsche gesprochte*.

Sincerely,

Lt. (jg) Gilbert Shimmel, '42

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Italy
March 27, 1945

Dear Jack (Oller):

February was an extraordinarily busy month for me, but I hope I have arrived at a breathing spell now. Tonight our first sergeant tells me I am to have another stay at rest camp soon, and the news is quite cheering.

Recently, I had a week's vacation in Rome. I spent the time refreshing my recollection of the places that pleased me most last summer.

A mad young phoneticist who stopped here for a short time on his way to his new unit had to get rid of some books as he was ordered to put all his belongings into one barracks bag and he gave me a Roumanian grammar. Roumanian surely is tough. Tell the students who find Spanish irregular preterites difficult that they should thank their lucky stars they're not studying Roumanian.

Sincerely,

George Clemens, '37